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Subject: Italy Schedule Adjustment

Millan,

We were informed that Minister Galletti will be going to Bologna a week early to prepare for the G7 Environment Ministers Meeting. The Minister had also scheduled a food waste event with the leading Italian guru on food waste, Angrea Segre, who works in Bologna on Saturday, June 10. The Minister is offering to move the food waste event to Saturday afternoon so that it could be a joint food waste event with the Administrator to underscore the importance of food waste/loss to both the United States and Italy.

The purpose of the event is to highlight the *role of the private sector in advancing innovation to reduce food waste*, with a focus on innovations that are both economically and environmentally sustainable. A site visit to a local business that is actively implementing a food waste reduction strategy or waste processing facility that recycles food waste is also being explored. Under this scenario, the Administrator would be the first Minister to meet Minister Galletti before the G-7 Environment Ministers meeting officially begins (at a reception on Saturday evening).

In terms of the schedule, it would mean taking the morning (10:10 a.m.) flight from Rome to Bologna instead of the afternoon (2:30 p.m.) flight on Saturday, June 10th. The U.S. Embassy says that making this minor adjustment in his schedule would be extremely well received by the Italian Government (and the U.S. Embassy) and provide a strong foundation for the bilateral relationship with Italy.

What do you think?

Jane